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| <b>AMENDMENT</b> | Application #  | 09/857,347     |
|                  | Confirmation # | 3171           |
|                  | Filing Date    | 4 January 2002 |
|                  | First Inventor | SITBON         |
|                  | Art Unit       | 3677           |
|                  | Examiner       | Brittain       |
|                  | Docket #       | P07245US00/DEJ |

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In response to the Office Action dated April 6, 2004:

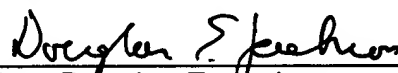
- A) please consider the responsive **Remarks** provided herewith in **Attachment A**; and  
B) please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims provided herewith in **Attachment B**.

In view of the amendments made and the remarks provided, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 6 October 2004

  
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